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<b>Office Action Summary</b>	Application No. 10/605,088	Applicant(s) TETTERINGTON, KENNETH	
	Examiner Denise S Allen	Art Unit 2872	

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**Period for Reply**

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

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**Status**

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on \_\_\_\_.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**.                      2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

**Disposition of Claims**

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-4 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-4 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

**Application Papers**

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 08 September 2003 is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☒ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

**Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119**

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All    b) ☐ Some \* c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_.
  3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

**Attachment(s)**

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)   | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)<br>Paper No(s)/Mail Date. ____ |
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**DETAILED ACTION*****Drawings***

The drawings are objected to as failing to comply with 37 CFR 1.84(p)(5) because they do not include the following reference sign(s) mentioned in the description: reference 10 (paragraph 0020 line 2). Corrected drawing sheets in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(d) are required in reply to the Office action to avoid abandonment of the application. Any amended replacement drawing sheet should include all of the figures appearing on the immediate prior version of the sheet, even if only one figure is being amended. The replacement sheet(s) should be labeled "Replacement Sheet" in the page header (as per 37 CFR 1.84(c)) so as not to obstruct any portion of the drawing figures. If the changes are not accepted by the examiner, the applicant will be notified and informed of any required corrective action in the next Office action. The objection to the drawings will not be held in abeyance.

The drawings are objected to as failing to comply with 37 CFR 1.84(p)(5) because they include the following reference character(s) not mentioned in the description: Figures 1 and 2 reference 22. Corrected drawing sheets in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(d), or amendment to the specification to add the reference character(s) in the description in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(b) are required in reply to the Office action to avoid abandonment of the application. Any amended replacement drawing sheet should include all of the figures appearing on the immediate prior version of the sheet, even if only one figure is being amended. The replacement sheet(s) should be labeled "Replacement Sheet" in the page header (as per 37 CFR 1.84(c)) so as not to obstruct any portion of the drawing figures. If the changes are not accepted by the examiner, the

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applicant will be notified and informed of any required corrective action in the next Office action. The objection to the drawings will not be held in abeyance.

### *Claim Objections*

Claims 3 and 4 are objected to because of the following informalities:

The limitation “the number of vertically planar reflecting surfaces” (claim 3 lines 10 – 11) is unclear because the planar reflecting surfaces are not recited as vertical. Suggested correction: replace the limitation with “the number of planar reflecting surfaces of the horizontal scan mirror”.

The limitation “the number of planar reflecting surfaces” (claim 3 lines 21) is unclear because two sets of planar rotating surfaces are recited. Suggested correction: replace the limitation with “the number of planar reflecting surfaces of the vertical scan mirror”.

Appropriate correction is required.

### *Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102*

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Claims 1 – 4 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Carlson et al (US 3,448,458).

Regarding claims 1 and 3, Carlson et al teaches a two-dimensional laser projection system (Figure 6) comprising a laser light source (reference 10) for producing a laser beam (reference 12); a horizontal scan mirror (reference 154) comprising a rotatable element (rotates

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about reference 155) having a plurality of planar reflecting surfaces arranged such that the element has a symmetrical polygonal horizontal cross-section (see Figure 6); a vertical scan mirror (reference 150) comprising a rotatable element (rotates about reference 151) having a plurality of planar reflecting surfaces arranged such that the element has a symmetrical polygonal vertical cross-section (see Figure 6); wherein the laser beam is reflected between the horizontal scan mirror and the vertical scan mirror (dotted line of reference 12) and onto a projection surface or space (reference 36).

Regarding claims 2 and 4, Carlson et al teaches a means for intermittently turning the laser light source on and off (reference 14).

Regarding claim 3, the laser beam inherently oscillates horizontally at a frequency equal to the rotational speed of the horizontal scan mirror multiplied by the number of vertically planar reflecting surfaces. Since one reflecting surface produces one oscillation of the laser beam, one rotation of the horizontal scan mirror must produce a number of oscillations of the laser beam equal to the number of reflecting surfaces; since the rotational speed of the horizontal scan mirror is the number of rotations per a given time, the frequency of the laser beam oscillations (or oscillations per a given time) must be the product of the rotational speed and the number of reflecting surfaces. Likewise, the laser beam inherently oscillates vertically at a frequency equal to the rotational speed of the vertical scan mirror multiplied by the number of vertical planar reflecting surfaces.

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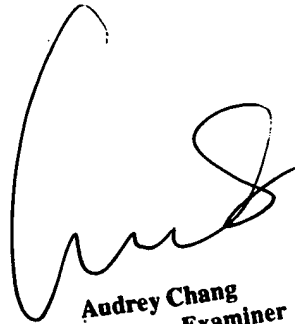
***Conclusion***

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Denise S Allen whose telephone number is (571) 272-2305. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday, 9:00am - 5:30pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Drew A Dunn can be reached on (571) 272-2312. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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